

REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action of December 11, 2007.

Applicant has amended Claims 1, 7 and 19, canceled Claims 6 and 10, such that Claims 1, 5, 7, 15, 15, and 19-21 are pending. Applicant anticipates the filing of a divisional application directed to the canceled and/or non-elected subject matter.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the pending Claims based on these amendments and the following remarks.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 10, 13, 15, and 19-21.

In connection with the allowable subject matter in Claim 10, Applicant has amended base Claim 1 to incorporate the recitations of Claim 10 and intermediate Claim 6. As such, independent Claim 1 and dependent Claims 5 and 7 are now in condition for allowance.

Applicant has amended Claims 7 and 19 to resolve the dependency objections.

Summary

Based on the attached amendments and accompanying remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the pending Claims are in patentable condition and earnestly solicits a timely Notice of Allowance. Applicant encourages the Examiner to telephone the undersigned attorney if it appears that a telephone conference would further this case in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

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